CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 1, 2, 15 and 16 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 3, 4 and 6 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(i) as set forth in the "clean" version set forth below. Entry is respectfully requested. A version with markings to show the changes made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached hereto as Appendix A.

The optional complete set of "clean" claims pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(c)(3) is attached hereto as Appendix B.

3. Amended A composite magnetic material, comprising a ferrite powder and a resin, wherein said ferrite is a spinel type ferrite having a composition represented by

$$(NiO)_x(CoO)_y(MeO)_z(Fe_2O_3)_{1-x\cdot y-z}$$

wherein

Me is at least one selected from the group consisting of Mg, Cu and Zn,

 $0.10 \le x \le 0.550$;

 $0.050 \le y \le 0.200$;

 $0 \le z \le 0.200$, and

 $0.400 \le (x+y+z) \le 0.600$.

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AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

This is a response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002 in the aboveidentified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

There are no additional fees required.

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